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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a)

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Sir:

- 1. Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2004 for the above-identified application.
- 2. Applicants hereby request a **three-month extension of time** to respond to the Office Action of October 8, 2004, which set a three-month period for response. The extended period for response expires on April 8, 2005. Please charge the \$1020.00 extension fee and any additional fees to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number 11-0600.
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- F. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.
- 4. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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